GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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ECOLOGICAL CONFIRMITY OF PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether certain textile importing countries ask for ecological conformity of the textile products exported to their countries;

(b) if so, the details of such requirements;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to educate those involved in textile industry;

(d) whether eco-testing laboratories have been established in the country; and

(e) if so, the details of eco testing labs, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL)

(a & b) Yes Sir. Germany and Netherlands had imposed ban on use of specific azo-dyes releasing any of the 20 harmful amines in the manufacture of textiles in 1996. The list of these 20 amines is at Annexure- I.

(c) The Textile Committee established under Textile Committee Act 1963, the Textile Research Association, Export Promotion Councils and other organisations, had organised 45 seminars and workshops at various textiles centres for creating awareness about the ban and for providing guidance for manufacturing eco-friendly textiles. Textiles Committee has also brought out two publications and a video film for providing guidance for manufacturing eco-friendly textiles in 1995.

(d&e) Yes Sir. Eco-testing facilities for testing of banned amines and other eco parameters have been established at 23 laboratories at a total cost of Rs.28.68 crores to enable the textile trade, industry and exporters to comply with the eco regulations. A list of eco lab established is at Annexure-II.

Annexure-I

LIST OF 20 HARMFUL AMINES COVERED IN THE GERMAN LEGISLATION

1. 4-Amino biphenyl (CAS-No.92-67-1

2. Benzidine (CAS No.92-87-5)

3. 4-Chlor-o-toluidine (CAS-No.95-69-2)

4. 2(-Naphthylamine (CAS-No.91-59-8)

5. p-Chloraniline (CAS-No.106-47-8)
6. 2,4-Diaminoanisole (CAS-No.615-05-4)

7 4,4-Diamino diphenyl methane (CAS-No.101-77-9)

8. 3,3-Dichloro benzidine (CAS-No.91-94-1)

9. 3,3-Dimethoxy benzidine (CAS-No.119-93-7)

10. 3,3-Dimethyl benzidine (CAS-No.119-93-7)
11. 3,3-Dimethyl - 4,4-diamino diphenyl methane (CAS-No.838-88-0)
12. p-Cresidine (CAS-No.120-71-8)
13. 4,4(-Methylene-bis-(2-chlorsnlline) (CAS-No.101-14-4)
14. 4,4(-Oxydianiline (CAS-No.101-50-4)
15. 4,4(-Thiodianiline(CAS-No.139-05-1)
16. o-Toluidine (CAS-No.95-53-4)
17. 2,4-Diamno toluene (CAS-No.96-80-7)
18. 2,4,5-Tremethylaniline (CAS-No.137-17-7)
19. o-aminoazotoluene (CAS-No.97-56-3)
20. 2-amino-4-nitrotoluene (CAS-No.99-55-8)

Annexure-II

DETAILS OF ECO LABORATORIES ESTABLISHED AT DIFFERENT CENTRES

S.No.	Agency	Location	State
1.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Bangalore	Karnataka
2.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Cannanure	Kerala
3.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
4.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Jaipur	Rajasthan
5.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Ludhiana	Punjab
6.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Mumbai	Maharashtra
7	Textiles Committee (TC)	New Delhi	Delhi
8.	Textiles Committee (TC)	Tirupur	Tamil Nadu
9.	Ahmedabad Textile Industries Research Association (ATIRA)	Ahmedabad	Gujarat
10.	Bombay Textile Research Association (BTRA)	Mumbai	Maharashtra
11.	Central Silk Technological Research Institute (CSTRA)	Bangalore	Karnataka
12.	Indian Jute Industries Research Association (IJIRA)	Kolkata	West Bengal
13.	Man-made Fibre Textile Research Association (MANTRA)	Surat	Gujarat
14.	Northern India Textile Research Association (NITRA)	Ghaziabad	UP
15.	South India Textile Research Association (SITRA)	Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu
16.	Wool Research Association (WRA)	Thane	Maharashtra
17.	Central Silk Technological Research Institute (CSTRI)	Bhagalpur	Bihar
18	Central Silk Technological Research Institute (CSTRI)	Varanasi	UP
19.	Bombay Textile Research Association (BTRA)	Ichchalkaranji	Maharashtra
20	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kanpur	UP
21.	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	New Delhi	Delhi
22.	Central Institute of Research on Cotton Technology (CIRCOT)	Mumbai	Maharashtra
23.	Indian Jute Industries Research Association (IJIRA)	Guwahati	ASSAM